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LUSAKA, SEPTEMBER 16 -- TODAY'S ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL EDITORIAL TERMS PESSIMISM ABOUT KISSINGER'S AFRICAN VISIT AS "EXAGGERATED" IN SOME QUARTERS. THE EDITORIAL SAYS THAT THE U.S. POSITION TOWARD RHODESIA AND SOUTH AFRICA IS FUNDAMENTALLY THE SAME AS THE AFRICAN ONE, AND THAT THE VALUE OF KISSINGER'S DIPLOMACY IS IN THE U.S. ABILITY TO PRESSURE SOUTH AFRICA (WHOSE SURVIVAL IS DEPENDENT ON THE WEST) TO A PEACEFUL SOLUTION WHICH WOULD INCLUDE SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES WITHIN SOUTH AFRICA ITSELF. THE EDITORIAL, HOWEVER, STILL QUESTIONS WHETHER THE U.S. IS PREPARED TO COMMIT ITSELF TO TALKING ADEQUATE COERCIVE MEASURES TOWARD SOUTH AFRICA.

AN UNSIGNED DAILY MAIL FEATURE STORY ON THE EDITORIAL PAGE SAYS RHODESIA IS STILL A BRITISH COLONY, AND CONSEQUENTLY KISSINGER'S MISSION IS TO DELIVER AN ULTIMATUM FOR THE SMITH GOVERNMENT TO RESIGN. DISUNITY AMONG THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, IS NOT A VALID REASON FOR DELAYING

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MAJORITY RULE. THE WRITER NOTES THAT THE LONGER

MAJORITY RULE IS DELAYED THE GREATER THE POSSIBILITY FOR AN ANGOLA TYPE SITUATION. THIS, IN HIS OPION, WOULD NOT REPRESENT THE MAJORITY OF THE ZIMBABWEANS WHOSE LEADERS SHOULD RECONCILE THEIR DIFFERENCES BY ACCOMMODATING THEIR OPPOSITION WHEN MAJORITY RULE IS ACHIEVED.

THE ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL FRONT PAGE LEAD ARTICLE QUOTES NYERERE AS SAYING THAT THE SMITH GOVERNMENT S ACCEPTANCE OF THE CALLAGHAN PROPOSAL IS THE "MINIMUM" ACCEPTABLE FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION, THAT SWAPO IS THE ONLY NAMIBIAN GOVERNMENT TANZANIA WILL RECOGNIZE, AND THAT THE PROPOSED US-UK BILLION STERLING FUND SHOULD BE USED TO "ENCOURAGE" WHITES TO LEAVE RHODESIA. TWO OTHER FRONT PAGE ARTICLES ANNOUNCE KISSINGER S ARRIVAL, QUOTE KAUNDA S STATEMENT THAT THE ARMED STRUGGLE WILL CONTINUE DESPITE THE U.S. INITIATIVE, AND SPECULATE THAT SMITH "MAY POSSIBLY" HAVE TALKS WITH KISSINGER OVER THE WEEKEND IN SOUTH AFRICA.

THE TIMES OF ZAMBIA FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE ANNOUNCES KISSINGER SV ARRIVAL FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH KAUNDA, AND SAYS HE IS ALSO EXPECTED TO MEET WITH SWAPO LEADER SAM NUJOMA WHILE IN LUSAKA. THE ARTICLE REPORTS THAT KISSINGER WILL FLY TO PRETORIA OVER THE WEEKEND WHERE SOUTH AFRICAN PRIME MINISTER VORSTER WILL REPORT TO KISSINGER ON HIS TALKS WITH SMITH. MYERERE S COMMENT THAT HE HEARD "NOTHING ENCOURAGING" FROM KISSINGER IN RELATION TO THE ZURICH TALKS WITH PRIME MINISTER VORSTER ARE ASLO REPORTED. ITEM USIS LUSAKA. BURNS

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